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Honorable Jack Brooks, Chairman Committee on Government Operations House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This is to inform you that per your request of 27 December 1982, we have completed our search for a copy of the 28 June 1947 hearing before the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments. The review of appropriate Agency files has not turned up any copies of the hearing. We must conclude therefore that the Agency does not have in its possession a copy of the 28 June 1947 transcript.

Cordially yours,

Director, Office of External Affairs

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The Honorable William J. Casey Director of Central Intelligence Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Mr. Casey:

As you know from previous correspondence, this committee and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence voted to release the June 27, 1947, hearing before the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments, held during the 80th Congress on H.R. 2319, the National Security Act of 1947. A copy of the printed transcript is enclosed for your information.

I should like to call to your attention the last page (72) of the testimony where there are two references to a second day of hearings that were presumably held on June 28, 1947, at which Admiral Hillenkoetter was scheduled to testify. Our committee minutes indicate that the committee did in fact meet that day from 10:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. and that "The Committee heard the remaining witnesses in Executive Session who testified on the Central Intelligence Agency. They also heard the testimony of, and questioned, The Honorable Sterling Cole."

The committee does not have in its records a copy of the executive session for June 28, 1947. In the event the Central Intelligence Agency was also provided by Chairman Hoffman a copy of the transcript for that day's hearing, the committee would like to recover it for historical purposes. Please advise whether or not the Agency has now or ever has had in its possession a copy of the transcript for June 28, 1947. If a copy is still in the possession of the Agency, please advise whether or not it can now be declassified.

With all good wishes, I am,

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